Annual Report from Glossop Gazette 2016

Introduction

The Glossop Gazette was founded as a fortnightly print newspaper in October 2012. It became exclusively digital after the 8th edition published 14th February 2013. Its website is glossopgazette.co.uk

Glossop Gazette publishes news of relevance to Glossop and the immediately adjacent area, but nowt past Mottram Moor. It received an average of 13,997 unique visitors per month between May 2014-2015, with over 97% of visitors within the UK.

A list of the publisher's titles/products.

Glossopgazette.co.uk

Also maintain Twitter account at <u>https://twitter.com/GlossopGazette</u> and Facebook page at <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/479744805390209/</u>

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<u>Our editorial standards</u>

Glossop Gazette uses a scientific policy based on primary evidence. We only report on written word statements when publishing news. Material from vocal conversations in any format are only used when the material has been recorded in compliance with the relevant legislation. This reduces the possibility of misquoting individuals. All primary evidence is held by the Glossop Gazette in compliance with the relevant legislation.

Glossop Gazette would seek guidance from IPSO if we received any complaint about an article that could not be immediately resolved with the complainant.

Glossop Gazette has not yet sought pre-publication guidance from IPSO. However, it would do so if it needed advice on interpreting the Editors' Code of Practice or the public interest exception.

We demand primary evidence for all news articles and all investigative work. Primary evidence in the public domain must always be cited, and copies of any other material must be held by the Glossop Gazette as primary evidence.

Our complaints-handling process

Complaints are accepted in written format and dealt with by the Editor. All responses are in writing and copies of all correspondence is kept by Glossop Gazette as primary evidence

The editor, Dr Daniel Bennett, handles editorial complaints internally;

Complaints would be resolved by:

- 1. Removing any statement of fact from an article for which the newspaper did not hold primary evidence, or could not identify such evidence in the public domain.
- 2. Removing any article that did not conform to the Editors' Code of Conduct at <u>https://www.ipso.co.uk/assets/82/Editors Code of Practice A4 March 2015.pdf</u>
- 3. In the event of 1 or 2 above: Publishing correction and apology and maintaining this within top 5 articles on the home page of the website for 7 days and on the website indefinitely.
- 4. Referring the complainant to IPSO in the event the complaint could not be resolved to mutual satisfaction of both parties.

How it seeks to resolve editorial complaints:

Our complaints page is at <u>http://glossopgazette.co.uk/90-about-the-glossop-gazette/1432-complaints</u>

Our training process

We do not have a formal training process. All contributors are made aware of our primary evidence policy and are expected to comply with it.

Our record on compliance

We have not received any complaints that were not deemed trivial.

<u>Appendix</u>

http://glossopgazette.co.uk/90-about-the-glossop-gazette/1434-advice-forcontributors-primary-evidence